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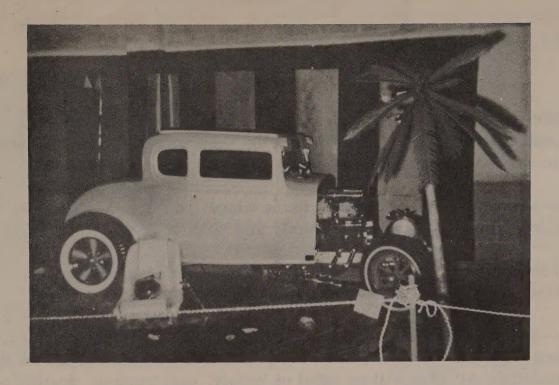
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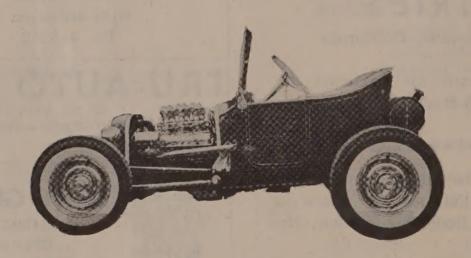
Show Time--The show will start promptly at 12:00 noon Friday and Saturday and continue until 12 midnight. Sunday, the final day, the show will open at 12:00 noon and continue until 8:00 p. m.

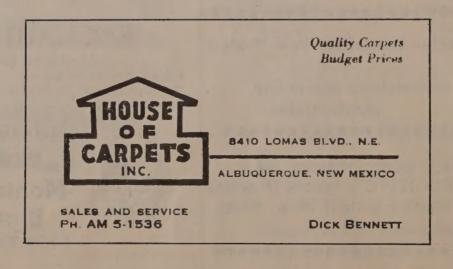
Trophies—Trophies will be awarded to the winner on the final day of the show. They will be made from the stage starting promptly at 8:00 p. m. Sunday, the final day.

Who can Enter---Any car owner, builder, designer or driver may enter one or more cars in the show--each car must have an entry blank on file.

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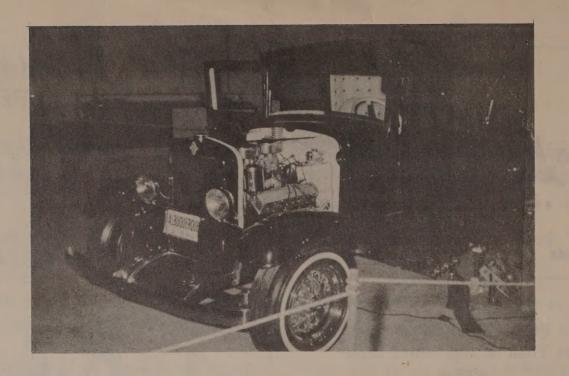
8. Chano Martinez- Albuquerque, New Mexico- 1956 Chevy Full Custom Candied Headlights, powered by 283 Chevy engine

New Mexico- 1954 Full Custom Pickup, powered by 348 Chevy engine

10. Benny Jaramillo- Belen, New
Mexico- 1951 Mercury, Semi-Custom,
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↑11. Pete Rivera- Phoenix, Arizona

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120. Leopold Garcia- "CITY CAR"

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- 5. To improve our automobiles for pleasure and performance.
- 6. To promote safety in automobile maintenance and operation.

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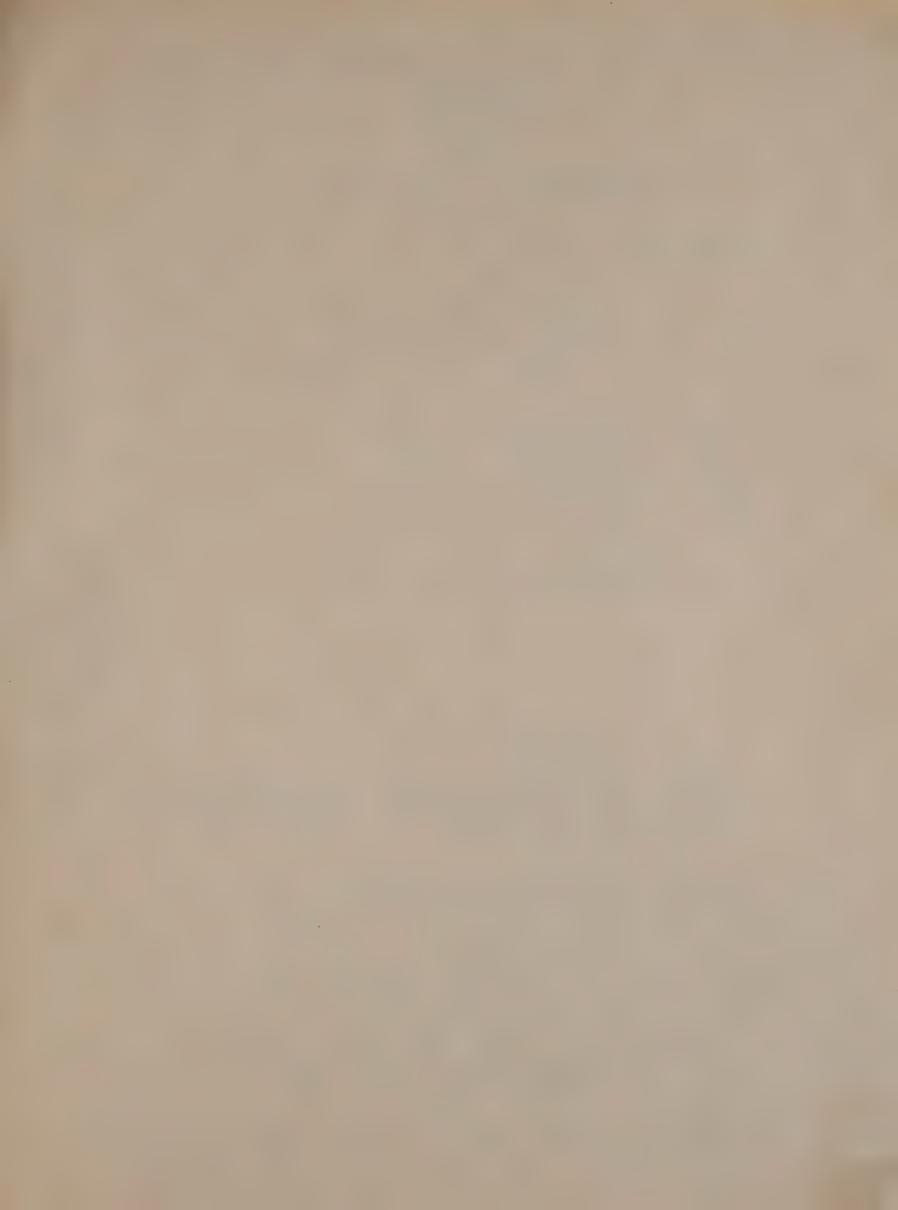
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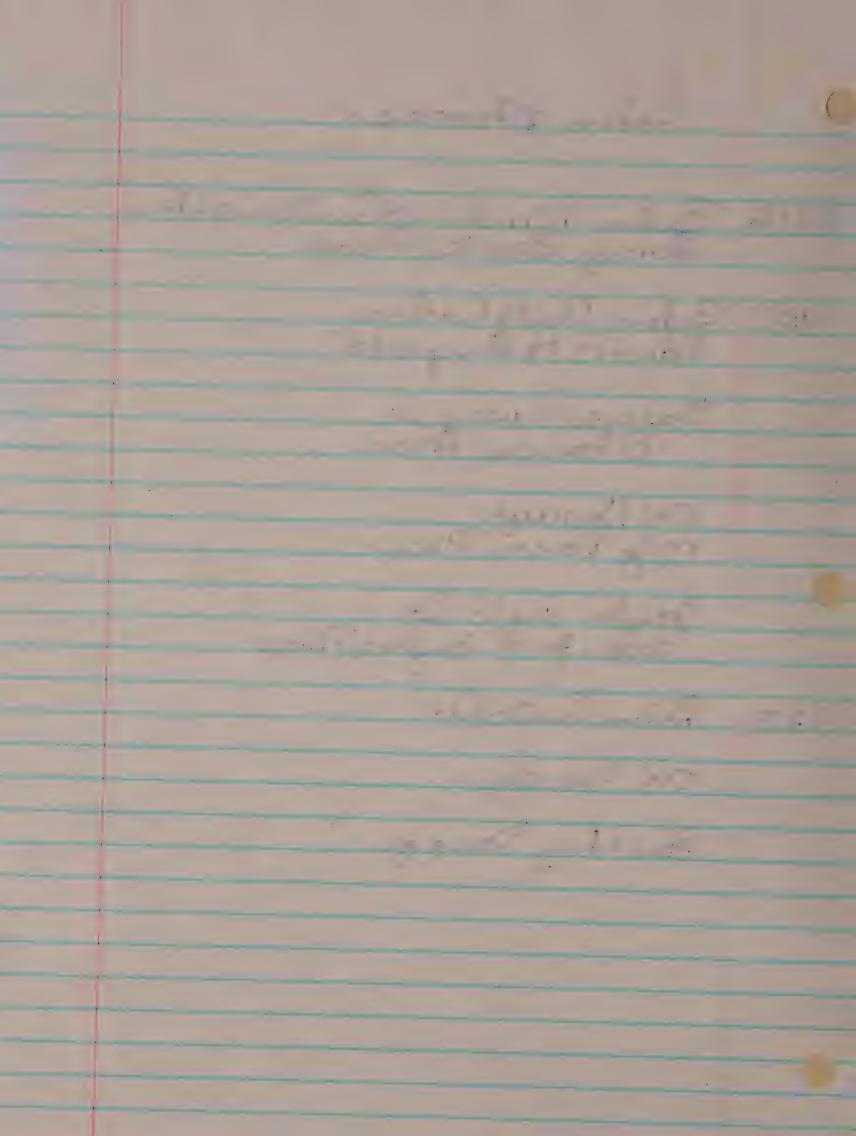
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Frank Seminara Is New Owner Of Car Agency

Frank Seminara announced today that he is buying the Caldwell Motor Company's interest in the local Pontiac-Buick-GMC truck agency and has re-named the firm.

Formerly the Belen Motor Co., the new name is now Frank Seminara Pontiac, Buick and GMC Trucks, Inc.

Until the new transaction, Seminara had been vice president, co-owner and general manager of the Belen Motors for the past five years. He is buying interest in the company formerly owned by the late Harvey E. Caldwell.

The agency is located at 401 North Main Street. Seminara, who came here five years ago to manage the business, said the growth of the firm has been "well above my expectations." He said he plans new facilities in the future when land becomes available.

The staff has grown to two Continued on Page 2

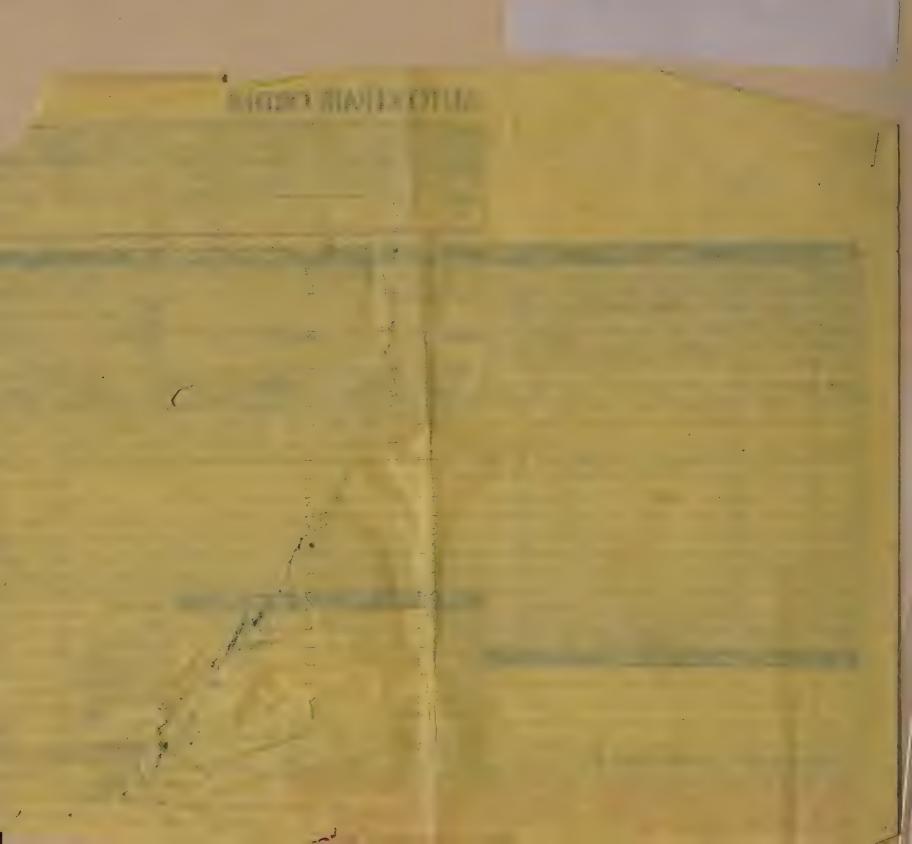
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fulltime salesmen, besides the owner; three office employees and six in the shop department of the agency.

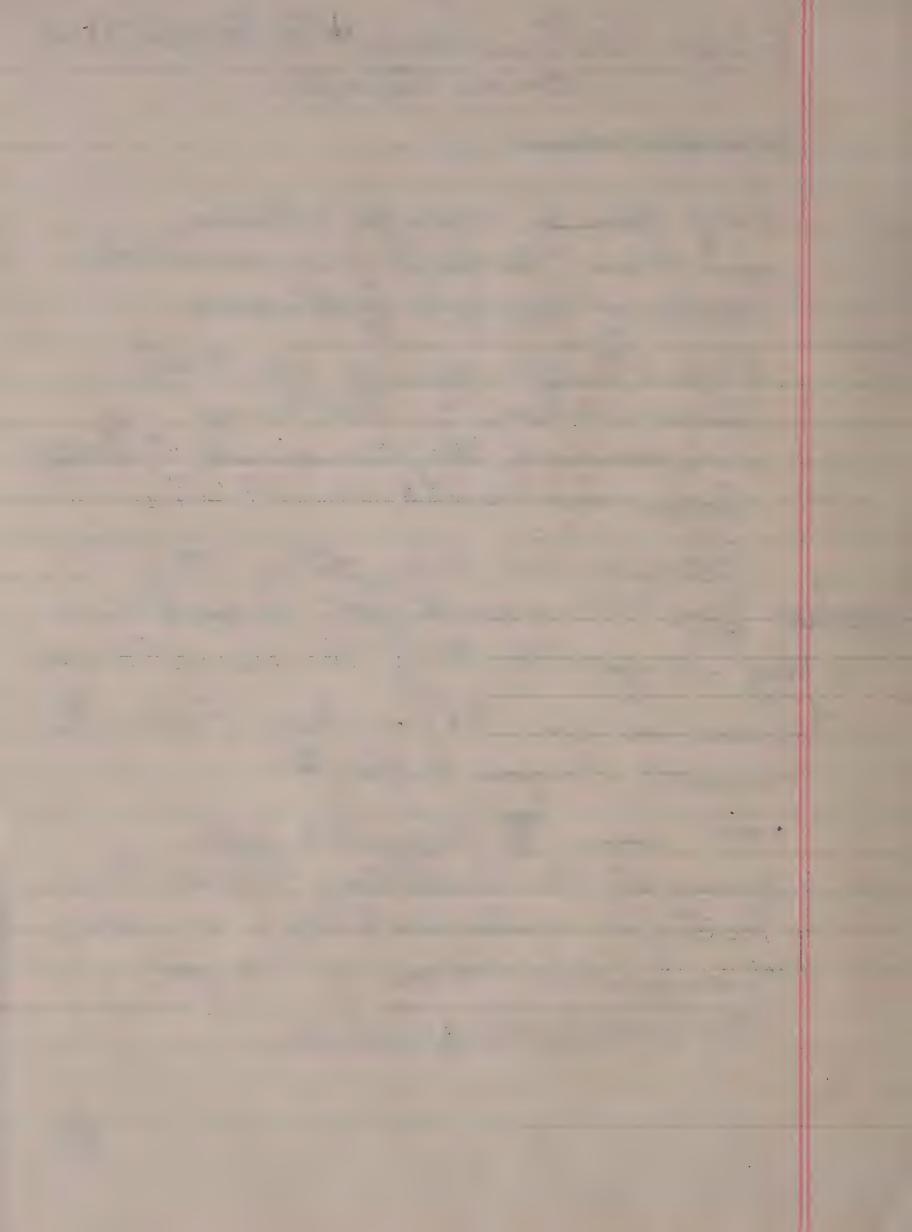
Seminara came to Belen after 21 years with the GMC and Coach division, 10 years in Chicago and 11 years as district manager of the Denver district. He has been active in local civic affairs, a member of the Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, immediate past chief of the Valencia County sheriff's posse and is a member of the executive board of the four-county OEO Community Action Program.

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This section of our county history book will include histories of businesses, churches, clubs, organizations, etc. A charge for this space will have to be accessed to insure that we will have enough pages in the book. Money from selling this space will allow us to buy more pages for family histories if needed. The more books purchased, the more pages the publisher will allow us. By having adequate book sales and more pages, we can be assured the publisher will use nice large type

OLD TIME BUSINESSES should tell when their business came into existence, why they wanted to establish their company in our county, how long they have been in business, and what their contribution to the growth and development of the county has been.

For example, an old time business may have extended credit to early settlers to help them get on their feet. If so, tell about those times. Certainly these things and the people who were able to stay in the county are what makes it the place it is to live and work today. Submit photos of early days and current photos.

NEW BUSINESSES or organizations should tell why they have chosen to go into business or come into being and how they feel growth and development in the county in the past has provided an opportunity for the business or organization to succeed. If these business people came from outside the county, they should tell us about their background. Submit photos of their business and products. The book committee wants your story, not an ad.

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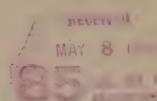
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Belen Ford dealership sold; new facility to be constructed

George L. Whitchurch, 32, takes over Jan. 1 as the president and general manager of the Hansen-Waldrop Ford dealership in Belein.

Ford Motor Company officials in Michigan approved Whitchurch's purchase of the dealership Wednesday from J.D. Waldrop, partner in the firm for ten years and the sole owner since 1968.

The dealership will be renamed Valley Ford Sales, Inc.

Construction of a 16,000 square foot building to house the dealership will start within 30 days, Whitchurch states.

He estimated that the new facility will be in operation by June 1, 1974 on land purchased by Valley Ford one mile north of the Hub City off Highway 85.

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"I felt I'd like to get out," J.D.
Waldrop explained. "I enjoyed the business and the people very much."

Waldrop will continue his used car and mobile home businesses, and says "Belen will remain my home."

He states that he had many offers from people seeking to purchase the dealership, but chose Whitchurch's offer because "I thought this man would fit in well with Belen."

Whitchurch, a native of Perry, Okla, has lived in Albuquerque since 1962. He started his business career with the Southwestern Investment Company in the finance area. After four years with SIC, he joined Frontier Ford in Albuquerque as a finance and sales manager. Six years later, he decided to join the Richardson Ford Sales dealership as a sales manager. He comes to Waldrop, now Valley Ford, after two years with the Rich Ford company.

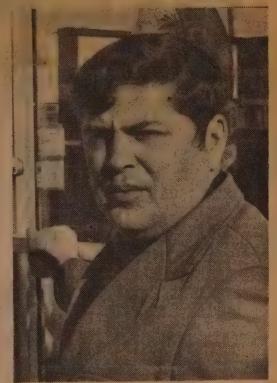
The new president and his wife, Christine (Christy), plan to move to Valencia County in the near future. The couple have two children, Sherlyn Renae, 11, and Kevin Patrick, 5.

"This area has the quality of life that my family loves," Whitchurch says. "The people are the kind of people I grew up

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GEORGE L. WHITCHURCH

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He plans to retain Waldrop Ford's 19 employes—and double employment with the completion of the new facilities in June. The dealership will continue at its present location, 723 N. Main St., until the new building is finished.

"Our new dealership is designed to meet the needs of Belen, Los Lunas and other Valencia County residents," Whitchurch explains. "We are going to triple the service area and purchase the equipment necessary to provide the fastest service available anywhere."

The new building will contain 7,500 square feet of service area under roof, plus an additional 4,960 square foot area of parts and office space, and a 2,860 square foot showroom.

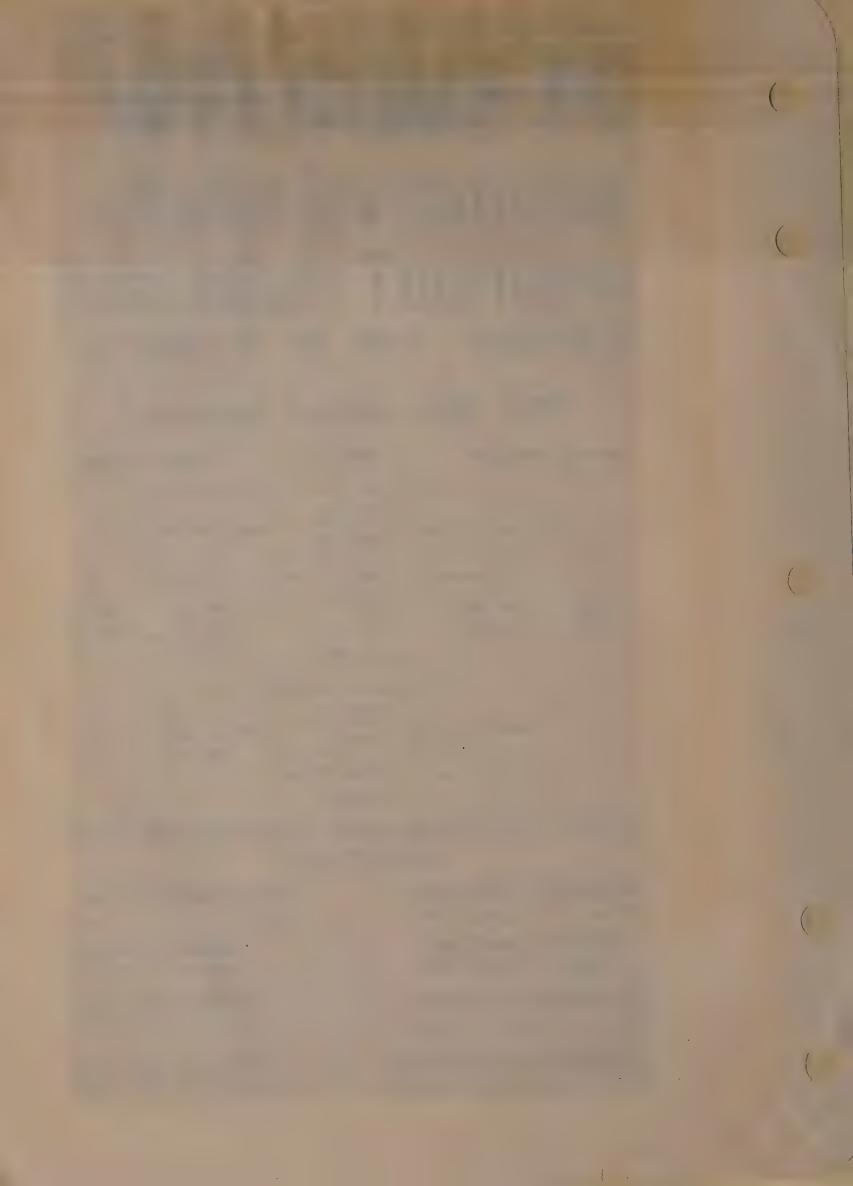
"By providing our residents with this type of facility," the new owner says, "we will be doing all we can to keep Valencia County dollars in Valencia County."

He adds that he believes that this area has one of the finest growth potentials in the Southwest.

"And Ford is the best car built," the youthful Whitchurch says.

J.D. Waldrop has signed a four-year contract with Richardson Ford in Albuquerque to serve as a consultant.

"I thought George Whitchurch was the most acceptable man for Belen," he concludes.





Photos courtesy of the Los Lunas Museum of Heritage and Arts

Climaco Aguirre stands in front of his Aguirre Service Station with his dog, Fifi, in the 1930s. The Valencia Courthouse is in the background.

Courtesy of the Valencia County Historical Society

Sept. 3, 1914

A large number of Belen people went out on a moonlight ride last Thursday evening, some going in autos, others on horseback.

Sept. 12, 1946

Movies at the Oñate Theatre: "Days of Buffalo Bill," starring Sunset Carson

"War of the Wildcats," starring John Wayne

"Hopalong Cassidy Enters," starring William Boyd

"My Pal Trigger," starring Roy Rogers

Sept. 3, 1958

Dear Editor: ... There is nothing in our town which we can occupy our time with. We have no place to go skating, dancing, etc., which would keep us off

the streets ... We are young and want to meet kids of our own age, instead of staying home every night watching TV. The adults call us juvenile delinquents but we are only so because they make us such ... Signed, A Juvenile Delinquent

Sept. 10, 1979

Two men reported that four men were firing shots from a vehicle as it traveled in a residential area on Route 3. Two were riding on the hood of the car ... Deputies told the foursome they were not to fire their guns toward or near any residence. Each had a hunting license.

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Agenerally always thinking about work and city business. I also always find time to tune in to a favorite station and sing along. Often, I also think about how goofy many people drive in New Mexico and how utterly confusing 3- and 4-way stops are to most."

What's a myth about your profession you'd like to bust?

Amyths about a funeral professional is that we spend enormous amounts of time tending to the deceased. Realistically, a majority of time is spent tending to the needs of the living and doing our best to ensure a fitting, final farewell to a life lived. In addition, I believe in community involvement, sponsoring local events and being just as much a part of happy times as sad."



Belen Mayor Robert Noblin, far right, and his usual crew, Lando Santillanes and his nephew, Edward; and Noblin's daughter, Karlie.





her simple, non-judgmental and supportive role in my life. Prior to her death in 2020, we spoke daily and there was nothing I could not share with her. She never hesitated to let me know her thoughts and opinions, but never tried to change my mind. She also had an uncanny mother's instinct, knowing when I needed a phone call or text message.

"My best friend, Orlando, also has the right words for the situation, which keeps me grounded, focused and less mindful of the opinions of oth ers."

What's your favorite song to sing when you're

"Music is my go-to for everything. I'm the guy that can literally think of song lyrics for every situation and often don't hesitate in using them in conversation. Probably

